

DIARY NOTES

4 February 1959

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1. I talked to [REDACTED] about the desirability of assigning an Administrative Officer to the FE Project which is to be undertaken at [REDACTED] [REDACTED] could start spending a part of his time in the FE Division getting oriented for his new job.

2. Ed Saunders, [REDACTED] and others participated with me in a meeting with Frank Ecker, Bureau of the Budget, to discuss the necessity for permanent [REDACTED] in particular, to respond to the questions raised by Bob Macy After this

3. At the Deputies' Meeting:

a. The Director announced that Chairman Carl Vinson of the House Armed Services Committee had appointed a new CIA Subcommittee. Messrs. Vinson and Leslie C. Arends will remain as ex officio members. The other members are as follows: Paul J. Kilday, Texas; Charles E. Bennett, Florida; George Huddleston, Jr., Alabama; A. Paul Kitchin, North Carolina; James E. Van Zandt, Pennsylvania and Frank C. Osmer, Jr., New Jersey.

b. As a result of the Director's briefings of Congressional Committees during the past few days there appears to be a ground swell developing for more frequent briefings of these committees on some systematic basis. This is, of course, the same question raised by Chairman Cannon of the House Appropriations Committee. This was discussed at great length and it is now the Director's feeling that we should meet this matter probably by providing one or more places on Capitol Hill where our "Weekly Bulletin" would be available to selective key members as well as a knowledgeable CIA individual who could answer further questions, etc. The Director talked to Andy Goodpaster about this and I gathered that Andy was fairly cool to the suggestion. However, it is my understanding that the Director, Andy, Jerry Morgan, Special Counsel to the President, and Bryce Harlow, Administrative Assistant to the President, will discuss the matter further and decide whether or not it should be put up to the President.

c. The Director said that he had invited several Congressional members of Congress down to the Agency for a briefing and that some of them would almost

certainly come. Congressman Sheppard, however, told the Director that these people should not be given information about our Budget. The Director, therefore, cautioned all of us that when they came we should not divulge our over-all budget or personnel statistics, directing them to the Appropriations Committee if they asked questions in this regard.

d. Lyman Kirkpatrick gave a brief report on the status of the work of the Manpower Task Force and said that he would meet with this Task Force each Tuesday at 1600 hours in order to be able to report at the Deputies' Meeting on Wednesday as to the progress which we were making. He also announced that the Task Force had decided to look into the Assessment and Evaluation Staff of the Office of Training.

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e. I raised at General Cabell's request the question of whether or not we were going to admit Army officers to our regular training courses at [REDACTED]. There was considerable disagreement on the matter with the Clandestine Services people objecting and Lyman Kirkpatrick strongly urging that we do this. The controversy was not settled in view of the fact that the Director had to leave for another meeting. However, it was decided that we would not admit these officers to the twenty-four weeks course beginning 16 February but that we would give this matter further study and then make a policy decision later as to how we were going to provide training in clandestine activities to the Departments of the Army and the Air Force. H

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4. Also at the Deputies' Meeting the Director said that he was going to see [REDACTED] formerly with the Technical Services Staff, sometime within the next few days and queried us as to whether or not we wanted him to return to the Agency. The reaction was generally negative; however, it occurred to me that if the Director wanted to find a place for [REDACTED] he would qualify, insofar as wealth is concerned, for our ostensible owner of [REDACTED] might wish to consider this. I have not suggested this to the Director.

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